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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEVADA

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	
)	Case No.: 2:16-cr-0230-GMN-DJA
Plaintiff,)	
)	Stipulation to Continue Sentencing
vs.)	
)	
TAJ THOMPSON,)	
)	
Defendant.)	

It is stipulated and agreed, by and between Nicholas A. Trutanich, United States Attorney; Robert Knief, Assistant United States Attorney, counsel for the United States of America and Dan Hill, Esq., counsel for defendant Thompson;

That the sentencing scheduled in this matter for May 11, 2020, be vacated and continued for a period of not less than 60 days. This stipulation is entered into for the following reasons:

1. The parties agrees to the continuance;
2. Defendant is currently in-custody and does not object to the continuance;
3. The parties are gathering additional materials pertinent to sentencing and require more time;

1 4. The United States is currently in the grips of the COVID-19 pandemic with most
2 private and public institutions being shuttered at the direction of federal, state, and local
3 government to abate spread of the disease. On March 30, 2020 District of Nevada Chief
4 Judge Du issued Temporary General Order 2020-05 finding that in-person hearings could
5 seriously jeopardize public health and safety. This Order, and the “Coronavirus Aid, Relief,
6 and Economic Security Act” (“CARES Act”), passed by Congress on March 27, 2020, do
7 allow for changes of plea or sentencings to be conducted via video conference; but only in
8 cases where it can be specifically found the hearing cannot be further delayed without
9 serious harm to the interests of justice. See CARES Act, H.R. 748, Public Law No. 116-136.

10 5. The parties agree there are no case-specific-facts as to this matter where further
11 delay would cause serious harm to the interests of justice. Given this, and the current
12 circumstances relating to the pandemic, a continuance of the sentencing is appropriate.

13 6. This is the first request for continuance.

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15 DATED this 7th day of May, 2020.

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ORDER TO CONTINUE

I. Findings of Fact

Based on the pending Stipulation of counsel, and good cause appearing therefore, the Court finds:

1. The parties agrees to the continuance;
2. Defendant is out of custody and does not object to the continuance;
3. Pursuant to Temporary General Order 2020-05, issued by the Chief Judge of the District of Nevada, all in-person sentencings constitute a serious threat to public health;
4. The parties agree there are no case specific facts where a delay in sentencing would seriously harm the interests of justice;
5. The Court finds no specific reasons to conduct the sentencing hearing via video conference, and finds continuance is appropriate.

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II. Order

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the sentencing currently scheduled for May 11, 2020, be vacated and continued to Thursday, July 16, 2020, at the hour of 10:00 a.m. in Courtroom 7D before Judge Gloria M. Navarro.

IT IS SO ORDERED



THE HONORABLE GLORIA M. NAVARRO
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

DATED: May 11, 2020